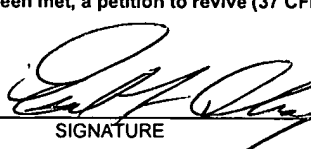


TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		CUSTOMER NO. 22,852 ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER: 02372.0097
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/AU2005/000139		U.S. APPLICATION NO. if known, see 37 CFR 1.5 10/587,933
INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE February 3, 2005		PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED February 4, 2004
TITLE OF INVENTION METALLURGICAL VESSEL		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Stephan Heinz Josef Victor WEBER		
Applicant(s) herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C 371. 2. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. 3. <input type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. 4. <input type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31). 5. <input type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)). <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed with the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). 6. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto. b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 7. <input type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)). <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. 8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)). 9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)). 10. <input type="checkbox"/> Annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)). <p>Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 11. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98 12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 13. <input type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment. 14. <input type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76. 15. <input type="checkbox"/> A Substitute specification. 16. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. 17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821-1.825. 18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154 (d)(4). 19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application 35 U.S.C. 154 (d)(4). 20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> Copy of cover page of International Publication No. WO 2005/075688 A1 b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Copy of Notification of Missing Requirements. c. <input type="checkbox"/> Request for Substitution of Replacement Sheets under Article 34 d. <input type="checkbox"/> International Search Report from the Australian Patent Office 		

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The following fees have been submitted:				CALCULATIONS	PTO Use Only
21. <input type="checkbox"/> BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492(a)):\$310.00				\$	
22. <input type="checkbox"/> Examination fee (37CFR 1.492(c))					
If the Written opinion prepared by ISA/US or the International preliminary examination report prepared by IPEA/US indicates all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4)\$0				\$	
All other situations.....\$210					
23. <input type="checkbox"/> Search fee (37 CFR 1.492(b))					
If the written opinion of the ISA/US or the International preliminary examination report prepared by IPEA/US indicates all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4)\$0					
Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) has been paid on the international application to the USPTO as an International Searching Authority.....\$110					
International Search Report prepared by an ISA other than the US and provided to the Office or previously communicated to the US by the IB.....\$410				\$	
All other situations.....\$510					
TOTAL of 21, 22 and 23 =				\$	
<input type="checkbox"/> Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing in compliance with 37 CFR 1.821(c) or (e) or computer program listing in an electronic medium) (37 CFR 1.492(j)). The fee is \$260 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof.					
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MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable)			+\$370.00	\$	
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =				\$130.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Fees above are reduced by 1/2.					
SUBTOTAL =				\$130.00	
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Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21 (h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property.				\$	
TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =				\$130.00	
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<p>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed.</p> <p>b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> <p>c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <u>06-0916</u>. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> <p>d. <input type="checkbox"/> Fees are to be charged to a credit card. WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.</p> <p>NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the International Application to pending status.</p> <p>SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:</p> <p>Finnegan, Henderson, Farabow, Garrett & Dunner, L.L.P. 901 New York Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20001-4413</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  SIGNATURE </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <u>Ernest F. Chapman, Reg. No. 25,961</u> NAME/REGISTRATION NUMBER </div> <p>DATED: May 6, 2008</p>					

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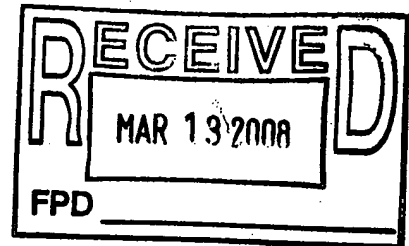
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**NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371
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The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495):

- Priority Document
- Copy of the International Application filed on 08/02/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 08/02/2006
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 08/02/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 08/02/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 08/02/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 08/02/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 08/02/2006



The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

- \$130 Surcharge.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

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